IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/656,034 Confirmation No. 8482

Applicant(s) : James Hunter Boone

Filed : 09/05/2003

Title : Method for Distinguishing Ulcerative Colitis From Crohn's

Disease by Detecting the Presence of Fecal Anti-Neutrophil

Cytoplasmic Antibodies (ANCA)

Group Art Unit: 1641

Examiner : David J. Venci Docket No. : TLAB.100294

Customer No. : 05251

<u>VIA EFS WEB — 07/26/2007</u>

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time up to and including July 26, 2007, to respond to the Final Office Action mailed January 26, 2007, in the above-referenced application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the required fee of \$510 is included herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any overpayment or underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 26, 2007, Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims: Begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Remarks: Begin on page 7 of this paper.

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